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## Labor Market Report June 2019

TOPEKA, Kan. – Preliminary estimates reported by the Kansas Department of Labor (KDOL) and Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) show a <u>seasonally adjusted unemployment rate</u> of 3.4 percent in June. This was down from 3.5 percent in May and up from 3.3 percent in June 2018.

"June estimates show a 0.9 percent decline in state government jobs over the year," said Secretary Delía García. "The main components of state government jobs are state hospitals, state universities and state agencies."

Seasonally adjusted job estimates indicate total Kansas nonfarm jobs decreased by 900 from May. Private sector jobs, a subset of total nonfarm jobs, increased by 600 from the previous month.

"The unemployment rate in Kansas fell to 3.4 percent in June as the result of a significant decline in the number of unemployed people in the state," said Labor Economist, Emilie Doerksen. "This also reverses the slight upward trend over recent months and extends the current period of low unemployment."

Since June 2018, Kansas gained 11,000 <u>seasonally adjusted total nonfarm jobs</u> and 10,000 private sector jobs.

OVERVIEW			Over the Month	Over the Year
		Current Level	<u>Change</u>	<u>Change</u>
Jobs*	Total Nonfarm	1,425,800	-900	11,000
	Total Private Sector	1,167,500	600	10,000
	Total Government	258,300	-1,500	1,000
Labor Force*	Labor Force	1,479,493	-2,317	-1,186
	Participation Rate	66.4%	-0.2	-0.3
	Employed Individuals	1,429,775	-732	-2,164
	Unemployed Individuals	49,718	-1,585	978
	Unemployment Rate	e 3.4%	-0.1	0.1
Unemployment Insurance	Initial Claims	6,037	-2,069	-652
	Continued Claims	32,551	-990	-3,901

<sup>\*</sup> Estimates are seasonally adjusted

BLS revised seasonally adjusted preliminary total nonfarm jobs estimates for May upward by 1,000 jobs, from 1,425,700 to 1,426,700. Seasonally adjusted private sector jobs were revised upward by 1,100 jobs, from 1,165,800 to 1,166,900.

Complete Kansas labor market information for June is available here.

**HELPFUL LINKS** are located <u>here</u>

The July 2019 Labor Report will be released on Friday, August 16.

Audio clips of the Labor Market Report quotes by Secretary of Labor, Delía García and Labor Economist, Emilie Doerksen are available online, courtesy of the Kansas Department of Labor.

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